

## NEED OF A CHANGE

Mayor Stuart Wants the City Charter Amended.

## SEWER AND WATER PIPES

Should Be Laid Under the Supervision of the Board of Public Works and the Expense Charged.

Mayor Stuart was present at the session of the board of public works yesterday and asked what safe guards had been made to secure the replacing of State street in good condition where it is being torn up for the purpose of making water connections. The board satisfied him that every precaution had been taken. The mayor suggested a change in the charter, giving the board power to lay sewers and water connections to the curb line and charge the expense to the property on all streets where concrete foundations are laid. H. D. Wallbridge of the gas company asked to be allowed to run water from a hydrant to the gas tanks for the purpose of making water gas. His request was granted under the directions of the water superintendent. Willard Keeney appeared before the board with a map of Richards' replatted addition and asked that the replat be approved by the board. The plat was approved.

The general superintendent's report showed that the contractor on the Lyon street hill was progressing very slowly. The clerk was instructed to notify the contractor that he must push the work more rapidly.

Accounts Allowed.

The following bills were approved to the council:

E. F. Harrington	\$75.00
H. O. Carr	79.50
Francis L. Lutz	91.50
W. R. Shelby	38.50
A. E. Wonder	95.50
N. T. Smith	84.85
E. I. Sugar	60.00
T. W. Greenley	45.00
M. V. Curtis	24.36
City engineer's office account	664.42
A. W. Orr	45.00
H. Wagonmaker	56.10
Board of Pub. Works office acct	200.28
Board of Pub. Works salaries	605.35
Pump house pay roll	620.00
Pump house pay roll	76.60
H. R. Noyes	550.00
A. Per Lee	87.50
James N. Davis	130.00
Forster & Stevens	38.62
F. Van Driel & Co.	19.50
E. T. Gill	9.00
The Democrat	20.00
The Democrat	3.50
William Carter	5.90
Bingham & Taylor	114.08
Mich. Brass and Iron Works	141.75
Mich. Brass and Iron Works	283.50
Mich. Brass and Iron Works	25.70
R. D. Wood & Co.	62.83

The board estate asked for a water main in Ionia street north of Coldbrook street. Referred to Superintendent Davis.

After listening to the mayor's protest the board adjourned.

## LAW AND LAWYERS.

## Circuit Court—Part I.

## JUDGE GROVE.

Grand Rapids Savings bank vs. William C. Denison et al., chancery; hearing on pleadings and proofs in open court.

Frederick J. Golds vs. George Golds, Jr., and George Golds, Jr., chancery; hearing on pleadings and proofs in open court.

Amanda Congdon vs. Jennie Largent, habeas corpus; adjourned until November 10.

## Circuit Court—Part II.

## JUDGE ADAMS.

Ewing E. Barrett vs. Robert N. Britton and Maria Britton, chancery; proofs submitted.

## Not a Superior Court Case.

Judge Burlingame says the case of C. S. Burroughs against Superintendent Eastman and Lieutenant Hurley, was not in his court at all. The case was appealed to the circuit court and the point was raised that the circuit court did not have jurisdiction as the officers were city officers. The case was taken to the supreme court on this point and the decision is that the circuit court does have jurisdiction in the case.

## Granted a Divorce.

Elizabeth Gandy was divorced from her husband, Michael J. Gandy, by Judge Adams yesterday on the grounds of extreme cruelty and failure to support. The defendant is prohibited from remarriage within two years from the date of the decree.

## Minor Court Matters.

Carl Corbett, a small boy who was arrested for jumping on street cars, was released from the police court yesterday on suspended sentence by the payment of \$1.50 costs.

George Murphy, a tenant, was referred to County Agent Hathaway, and will make his report November 12.

James Ross pleaded not guilty in police court yesterday to a charge of disorderly conduct, and his trial was set for November 9.

A motion for a new trial was filed with the clerk of the circuit court yesterday by the defendant in the case of Sarah H. Smith vs. the National Union Insurance company. Mrs. Hann recently obtained a verdict in the circuit court for \$3,000 insurance on her deceased son, Branch Hann.

## Prosecuting Inspectors.

The chairman of the board of election inspectors of the following towns—were not called for the official ballots and posters at the county clerk's office: Courtland, Cannon, Chippewa, Paris, Wyoming, Byron and Alpena. The law provides that if the inspectors of the outlying precincts do not get the ballots two days before election the county clerk shall deliver them by special messenger. This will be done Monday morning. The ballots have not yet been delivered to the inspectors of the second and third precincts of the tenth ward and second precinct of the eleventh ward and the first precinct of the ninth ward in this city.

She Spoke the Truth.

They were discussing matrimony. They had confessed to loving each other very much and were now coming to the more essential elements of a happy marriage.

"Odoacer," she whispered tremblingly, "I cannot cook."

It was as if some one had struck him with an ax. The muscles of his face worked convulsively.

"Beryl," he gasped, "you must be joking."

She shook her head sadly.

"No, Odoacer," she sighed, and her countenance settled into a look of calm resignation, "it is the truth."

He pressed his hand to his head.

"Did you not tell me?"

He spoke in a dazed, faltering way.

"That you graduated from a cooking school?"

The girl smiled upon him pityingly.

"Yes, Odoacer," she rejoined.

"Were you lying to me, Beryl?"

Her eyes flashed angrily.

"No, sir, I was not."

In proof of which she proudly brought her diploma and showed it to him.—Detroit Tribune.

## Circumstances Alter Cases.

Rightly (concluding argument at 10 a. m.)—I tell you, I don't let anybody sit on me.

(At 10 p. m.)—A change of state brings a change of mind.—Truth.

## Poetic Proportions.

The poet left her poem with the editor and said she would call in a week or so and have his opinion. She did so, but the editor had forgotten her.

"Well," she said, after the usual salutation, "what do you think of my poem?"

"I beg your pardon, I don't remember," blushed the editor.

"I was here a week ago and left it with you. The subject you may remember was 'Scattered Thoughts.'"

"Oh, yes, I do remember now," replied the editor hurriedly as he fished it out of a drawer.

"What do you think of it?"

"Well, my dear madam," he said very politely, "it is considerably out of proportion. That is to say, there is altogether too much scatter to the amount of thought."

Then she proceeded to escape.—Detroit Free Press.

A Rap on the Knuckles.

Herr A. (at a large party to B. who had treated him disrespectfully)—Sir, I propose to lend you for a week a book on the manners and customs of polite society!

Herr B.—Very pleased, I'm sure; but can you really spare it that length of time?—Fliegende Blätter.

Alarmed.

He—I had a strange dream last night. I dreamed you and I were walking together in a beautiful park when you suddenly threw your arms around my neck and kissed me.

She—I hope nobody saw us.—Tit-Bits.

Artless.

The Indignant Mother—You say the young scamp took you in his arms? What did you say to him?

The Artless Daughter—I said, "Hold on!"—Brooklyn Life.

She Waxed Alarmed.

Husband (excitedly)—If you go on like this I shall certainly lose my temper.

Wife—No danger, my dear. A thing of that size is not easily lost.—Commercial Bulletin.

An Invariable Rule.

"How's your health, Uncle Eben?"

"Well, I feel pretty poorly. I do. But I ain't no wise skayrt."

"Why?"

"Kase October's new gone, an I've alms noticed dat when I liss fro de mouth ob October I liss fro de whole yah."—Washington Star.

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## His Cure for Sleeplessness.

I can't get to sleep. I try everything I count up to a hundred, and look at one spot on the ceiling, and say my prayers forward and then backward, and then I think of sheep going over a fence, but it isn't any use.

Then as I'm tossing around I think I hear some one saying, "George, get up. It's half-past 7."

"All right; in a minute."

"George, get up, or you'll be late."

"Oh, no; I won't be late. Just a few minutes longer."

"George, you've got to be at the office at 9. You'd better look sharp."

"Oh, all right. Right away. So com- m-fble here—can't—m-m-m—pret' soon—m-m-m—honor-honor-honor"—(blessed sleep).—Tit-Bits.

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